

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 1, after the title, please insert the following:

--FIELD OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 1, between the first two paragraphs (at line 6), please insert the following:

--BACKGROUND ART--.

Page 3, between the first and second full paragraphs (at line 6), please insert the following:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--.

Page 3, replace the paragraph beginning at line 25 with the following:

--Figs. 6A-6C, together, are a graphical representation of the operation of a method according to an embodiment;--.

Page 4, line 16, please add the following:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.